



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
Health Department**

**Date:** May 12, 2014

**To:** HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
COMMITTEE

**Subject:** INTERNSHIP AGREEMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL BASED CLINIC  
PROGRAM

**Recommendation:**

That the proper City officials be authorized to execute internship agreements with Augsburg College Social Work Program and Bethel University Counseling Psychology Program for practicum students enrolled in their graduate programs to receive a clinical counseling practicum experience through the School Based Clinic Program as the clinical practicum training site. Agreements will be automatically renewed annually unless discontinued by either party, with authorization for the Commissioner of Health to approve programmatic adjustments to agreements as needed.

**Previous Directives:** None

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**Approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

**Permanent Review Committee (PRC):** Approval \_\_\_\_ Not Applicable  X   
**Policy Review Group (PRG)** Approval \_\_\_\_ Date of Approval \_\_\_\_ Not Applicable  X

**Presenters in Committee:** Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

**Financial Impact (Check those that apply)**

X  No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

**Background/Supporting Information Attached**

The Department is requesting to enter into internship agreements with Augsburg College and Bethel University to allow for the School Based Clinic (SBC) Program to be a clinical practicum training site for Master's level graduate students in social work and counseling psychology. These internships provide both invaluable clinical training for the students and also serve to increase the capacity of the SBC program to serve the ever growing mental health needs of the high school students served. These internships are unpaid and City costs are related to staff supervision of the graduate students.